

TANGENCY AND OPENNESS OF MULTIFUNCTIONS
 IN BANACH SPACES

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Let X and Y be Banach spaces and let F be a multifunction from X into Y . For every point $(x, y) \in X \times Y$, we consider the multifunction $K_F(x, y)$ from X into Y which assigns to every point $u \in X$ the set of all points $v \in Y$ such that

$$\emptyset \neq ((x, y) + (0, r)((u, v) + W)) \cap \text{graph}(F),$$

for every neighborhood W of the origin in $X \times Y$ and for every $r > 0$. In other words $\text{graph}(K_F(x, y))$ equals $K_{\text{graph}(F)}(x, y)$, the tangent set in the sense of Bouligand [1, p. 32] and Severi [8, p. 99] to the set $\text{graph}(F)$ at the point (x, y) . According to the elementary properties of these tangent sets, $\text{graph}(K_F(x, y))$ is a closed cone which is not empty if and only if $(x, y) \in \text{closure}(\text{graph}(F))$.

Our main results relate openness of the multifunction F at some points $(x, y) \in X \times Y$ to openness of the corresponding multifunctions $K_F(x, y)$ at the origin in $X \times Y$. Recall, on this occasion, some definitions concerning openness of a multifunction F from a topological space X into a topological space Y at a point $(x, y) \in X \times Y$. The multifunction F is said to be open at the point (x, y) if, for every neighborhood U of x , there exists a neighborhood V of y such that $V \subseteq F(U)$. Other variants of this definition make use of the inclusions $V \subseteq \text{closure}(F(U))$, $V \cap F(X) \subseteq F(U)$, or $V \cap F(X) \subseteq \text{closure}(F(U))$.

Now we return to our initial setting. In the statement below, for every point c of a Banach space and for every $r > 0$, $B(c, r)$ stands for the open ball with centre c and radius r . And, for every subset W of $X \times Y$, we denote

$$Z(W) = \bigcap_{(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W} (y + \text{closure}(K_F(x, y)(X))).$$

Theorem 1. *Let W be an open subset of $X \times Y$ such that the set $\text{graph}(F) \cap \text{closure}(W)$ is closed, and let $\lambda > 0$ such that*

$$(1) \quad B(0, \lambda) \cap K_F(x, y)(X) \subseteq \text{closure}(K_F(x, y)(B(0, 1)))$$

for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$. Then

$$(2) \quad B(y, \lambda \varepsilon) \cap Z(W) \subseteq F(B(x, \varepsilon))$$

for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and for every $\varepsilon > 0$ satisfying

$$(3) \quad B(x, \varepsilon) \times B(y, \lambda \varepsilon) \subseteq W.$$

Proof. Let $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ satisfying (3), and let $z \in B(y, \lambda\varepsilon) \cap Z(W)$. Consider $\mu > 1$ such that $\mu||z - y|| < \lambda\varepsilon$. Following an idea of Penot [7, p. 30], we endow the linear space $X \times Y$ with the norm

$$(p, q) \in X \times Y \rightarrow \max\{\lambda||p||, ||q||\},$$

and apply the variational principle of Ekeland [5, p. 324] to the function

$$(p, q) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap \text{closure}(W) \rightarrow \mu||z - q|| \in R,$$

in order to obtain a point $(a, b) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap \text{closure}(W)$ such that

$$\mu||z - b|| + ||(a, b) - (x, y)|| \leq \mu||z - y||,$$

and such that

$$\mu||z - b|| \leq \mu||z - q|| + ||(p, q) - (a, b)||,$$

for every $(p, q) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap \text{closure}(W)$. Note that

$$||(a, b) - (x, y)|| < \lambda\varepsilon,$$

hence $a \in B(x, \varepsilon)$, $b \in B(y, \lambda\varepsilon)$, $(a, b) \in W$,

$$z \in b + \text{closure}(K_F(a, b)(X)),$$

and, according to (1),

$$B(0, \lambda) \cap K_F(a, b)(X) \subseteq \text{closure}(K_F(a, b)(B(0, 1))).$$

Now we shall show that $z = b$. Denote $v = z - b$. Consider a sequence $(r_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $(0, +\infty)$ such that it converges to 0. Then, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$v \in B(0, ||v|| + r_n) \cap \text{closure}(K_F(a, b)(X)) \subseteq \text{closure}(B(0, ||v|| + r_n) \cap K_F(a, b)(X)) \subseteq \text{closure}(K_F(a, b)(B(0, (||v|| + r_n)/\lambda))).$$

Consider a sequence $(u_n, v_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $X \times Y$ such that $(v_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to v and such that, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$v_n \in K_F(a, b)(u_n), \text{ and } u_n \in B(0, (||v|| + r_n)/\lambda).$$

Consider, further, a sequence $(s_n, p_n, q_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $(0, +\infty) \times X \times Y$ such that it converges to the origin in $R \times X \times Y$ and such that, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(a, b) + s_n((u_n, v_n) + (p_n, q_n)) \in \text{graph}(F).$$

We may suppose, by passing to subsequences, that, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $s_n \in (0, 1)$ and

$$(a, b) + s_n((u_n, v_n) + (p_n, q_n)) \in W.$$

Since, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu||v|| &\leq \mu||s_n(v_n + q_n) - v|| + s_n||u_n, v_n + (p_n, q_n)|| \leq \mu((1 - s_n)||v|| + s_n||v_n + \\ &+ q_n - v||) + s_n||u_n, v_n + (p_n, q_n)|| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mu \|v\| \leq \mu \|v_n + q_n - v\| + \max\{\|v\| + r_n, \|v_n\|\} + \|(p_n, q_n)\|,$$

we conclude $\mu \|v\| \leq \|v\|$, $v=0$, $z=b \in F(a) \subseteq F(B(x, \varepsilon))$, (2) holds, and the theorem is proved.

Next we discuss two particular cases, $Z(W)=Y$ and $F(X) \subseteq Z(W)$. The first case, $Z(W)=Y$, holds if and only if

$$(4) \quad \text{closure}(K_F(x, y)(X)) = Y$$

for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$. Note that (1) and (4) is equivalent to

$$(5) \quad B(0, \lambda) \subseteq \text{closure}(K_F(x, y)(B(0, 1))).$$

In that case, $Z(W)=Y$, (2) is equivalent to

$$(6) \quad B(y, \lambda\varepsilon) \subseteq F(B(x, \varepsilon)),$$

and we obtain a first corollary to Theorem 1.

Corollary 1. *Let W be an open subset of $X \times Y$ such that the set $\text{graph}(F) \cap \text{closure}(W)$ is closed, and let $\lambda > 0$ such that (5) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$. Then (6) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and for every $\varepsilon > 0$ satisfying (3).*

Corollary 1 improves a result of Penot [7, p. 30] Where $W=U \times Y$ for some open subset U of X . The second case, $F(X) \subseteq Z(W)$, holds if and only if

$$(7) \quad F(X) \subseteq \text{closure}(K_F(x, y)(X))$$

for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$. Note that (7) is equivalent to

$$(8) \quad \text{closure}(K_F(x, y)(X)) = K_{F(x)}(y),$$

and

$$(9) \quad F(X) \subseteq y + K_{F(x)}(y).$$

In that case, $F(X) \subseteq Z(W)$, (2) implies

$$(10) \quad B(y, \lambda\varepsilon) \cap F(X) \subseteq F(B(x, \varepsilon)),$$

and we obtain a second corollary to Theorem 1.

Corollary 2. *Let W be an open subset of $X \times Y$ such that the set $\text{graph}(F) \cap \text{closure}(W)$ is closed and such that (8) and (9) hold for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$, and let $\lambda > 0$ such that (1) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$. Then (10) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and for every $\varepsilon > 0$ satisfying (3).*

Before, we continue, we observe that (7), hence (8) and (9), holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F)$ if the set $\text{graph}(F)$ is convex since, according to the properties of tangent sets to convex sets,

$$\text{graph}(F) \subseteq (x, y) + K_{\text{graph}(F)}(x, y),$$

for every $(x, y) \in \text{closure}(\text{graph}(F))$. Next we prove a certain converse of Theorem 1 in case the space X is finite dimensional.

Theorem 2. *Let the space X be finite dimensional, let $(x, y) \in X \times Y$, and let $Z \subseteq Y$ and $\lambda > 0$ such that there exists $\delta > 0$ such that*

$$(11) \quad B(y, \lambda\varepsilon) \cap Z \subseteq \text{closure}(F(B(x, \varepsilon))),$$

for every $\varepsilon \in (0, \delta)$. Then

$$(12) \quad B(0, \lambda) \cap K_Z(y) \subseteq K_F(x, y)(B(0, 1)).$$

Proof. Let $v \in B(0, \lambda) \cap K_Z(y)$, and consider a sequence $(s_n, q_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $(0, +\infty) \times Y$ such that it converges to the origin in $R \times Y$ and such that $y + s_n(v + q_n) \in Z$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We may suppose, by passing to subsequences, that $v + q_n \in B(0, \lambda)$ and

$$B(y, \lambda s_n) \cap Z \subseteq \text{closure}(F(B(x, s_n))),$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$y + s_n(v + q_n) \in \text{closure}(F(B(x, s_n))),$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and we get a sequence $(u_n, \hat{q}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $X \times Y$ such that $(\hat{q}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to the origin in Y and such that

$$y + s_n(v + q_n + \hat{q}_n) \in F(x + s_n u_n)$$

and $u_n \in B(0, 1)$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We may suppose, by passing to subsequences again, that $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges. Denote by u its limit. Then $v \in K_F(x, y)(u)$,

$$B(0, \lambda) \cap K_Z(y) \subseteq K_F(x, y)(\text{closure}(B(0, 1))),$$

and the conclusion follows since, for every $\mu \in (0, 1)$,

$$B(0, \lambda\mu) \cap K_Z(y) \subseteq K_F(x, y)(\text{closure}(B(0, \mu))) \subseteq K_F(x, y)(B(0, 1)).$$

Again we discuss two particular cases, $Z = Y$ and $Z = F(X)$.

In the first case, $Z = Y$, (11) becomes

$$(13) \quad B(y, \lambda\varepsilon) \subseteq \text{closure}(F(B(x, \varepsilon))),$$

and (12) becomes

$$(14) \quad B(0, \lambda) \subseteq K_F(x, y)(B(0, 1)),$$

so we obtain a first corollary to Theorem 2.

Corollary 3. Let the space X be finite dimensional, and let $\lambda > 0$ such that there exists $\delta > 0$ such that (13) holds for every $\varepsilon \in (0, \delta)$. Then (14) holds.

In the second case, $Z = F(X)$, (11) becomes

$$(15) \quad B(y, \lambda\varepsilon) \cap F(X) \subseteq \text{closure}(F(B(x, \varepsilon))),$$

and (12) implies

$$(16) \quad B(0, \lambda) \cap K_F(x, y)(X) \subseteq K_F(x, y)(B(0, 1)),$$

since $K_F(x, y)(X) \subseteq K_{F(X)}(y)$, so we obtain a second corollary to Theorem 2.

Corollary 4. Let the space X be finite dimensional, and let $\lambda > 0$ such that there exists $\delta > 0$ such that (15) holds for every $\varepsilon \in (0, \delta)$. Then (16) holds.

Summing up, if the space X is finite dimensional, W is an open subset of $X \times Y$ such that the set $\text{graph}(F) \cap \text{closure}(W)$ is closed, and $\lambda > 0$, then the following four conditions are equivalent:

- (5) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$;
 (6) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and for every $\epsilon > 0$ satisfying (3);
 (13) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and for every $\epsilon > 0$ satisfying (3);
 (14) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$.

Moreover, if (8) and (9) hold for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$, then the following four conditions are equivalent too:

- (1) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$;
 (10) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and for every $\epsilon > 0$ satisfying (3);
 (15) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$ and for every $\epsilon > 0$ satisfying (3);
 (16) holds for every $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(F) \cap W$.

To close this paper we transpose Theorems 1 and 2 in the setting of functions and of sets.

Let, first, f be a function from a subset of X into Y . For every point $x \in \text{domain}(f)$, we consider the multifunction $K_f(x)$ from X into Y which assigns to every point $u \in X$ the set of all points $v \in Y$ such that

$$\emptyset \neq ((x, f(x)) + (0, r)((u, v) + W)) \cap \text{graph}(f)$$

for every neighborhood W of the origin in $X \times Y$ and for every $r > 0$. In other words $\text{graph}(K_f(x))$ equals $K_{\text{graph}(f)}(x, f(x))$, the tangent set in the sense of Bouligand and Severi to the set $\text{graph}(f)$ at the point $(x, f(x))$. The multifunction $K_f(x)$ may be easily calculated in case the function f is Severi differentiable at the point x (see Severi [9, p. 10], and [10, p. 200]) since the graph of the Severi differential of f at x equals $K_{\text{graph}(f)}(x, f(x))$ too (see [10, p. 201]). A similar result has been proved earlier by Flett [6, p. 525] in the particular case when x is an interior point of the set $\text{domain}(f)$ and f is a Fréchet differentiable function at the point x .

In the following, for every subset U of X , we denote

$$Z(U) = \bigcap_{x \in \text{domain}(f) \cap U} (f(x) + \text{closure}(K_f(x)(X))).$$

Theorem 3. *Let U be an open subset of X such that the restriction of the function f to the set $\text{domain}(f) \cap \text{closure}(U)$ has a closed graph, and let $\lambda > 0$ such that*

$$B(0, \lambda) \cap K_f(x)(X) \subseteq \text{closure}(K_f(x)(B(0, 1)))$$

for every $x \in \text{domain}(f) \cap U$. Then

$$B(f(x), \lambda \epsilon) \cap Z(U) \subseteq f(\text{domain}(f) \cap B(x, \epsilon))$$

for every $x \in \text{domain}(f) \cap U$ and for every $\epsilon > 0$ satisfying

$$B(x, \epsilon) \subseteq U.$$

Theorem 4. *Let the space X be finite dimensional, let $x \in \text{domain}(f)$, and let $Z \subseteq Y$ and $\lambda > 0$ such that there exists $\delta > 0$ such that*

$$B(f(x), \lambda \epsilon) \cap Z \subseteq \text{closure}(f(\text{domain}(f) \cap B(x, \epsilon)))$$

for every $\epsilon \in (0, \delta)$. Then

$$B(0, \lambda) \cap K_z(y) \subseteq K_f(x)(B(0, 1)).$$

Proof of Theorems 3 and 4. Take $F(x) = \{f(x)\}$ for every $x \in \text{domain}(f)$, $F(x) = \emptyset$ for every $x \notin \text{domain}(f)$, $W = U \times Y$, and apply Theorems 1 and 2. Let, finally, S be a subset of Y . For every subset V of Y , we denote

$$Z(V) = \bigcap_{y \in S \cap V} (y + K_\lambda(y)).$$

Theorem 5. *Let V be an open subset of Y such that the set $S \cap \text{closure}(V)$ is closed. Then*

$$B(y, \varepsilon) \cap Z(V) \subseteq S;$$

for every $y \in S \cap V$ and for every $\varepsilon > 0$ satisfying

$$B(y, \varepsilon) \subseteq V.$$

Theorem 6. *Let $y \in Y$, and let $Z \subseteq Y$ and $\lambda > 0$ such that*

$$B(y, \lambda) \cap Z \subseteq \text{closure}(S).$$

Then

$$K_\lambda(y) \subseteq K_\lambda(S).$$

Proof of Theorems 5 and 6. Take $X = \mathbb{R}$, $F(x) = S$ for every $x \in X$, $W = X \times V$, and apply Theorems 1 and 2.

Theorem 3 improves a result of Cramer and Ray [2, p. 44] where f is defined and Gâteaux differentiable on X , since the graph of the Gâteaux differential of f at a point x is a subset of $K_{\text{graph}(f)}(x, f(x))$. Theorem 5 contains a result in [11, p. 183] which deals with locally closed sets and which we have proved by using the drop theorem of Danes [3, p. 371]. The fact is that the drop theorem of Danes and the variational principle of Ekeland are equivalent (see Danes [4, p. 453]). Theorem 6 is elementary in the theory of tangent sets.

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